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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> <b>FY 2006</b> (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)		<b>Docket Number (Optional)</b> 65937-0037	
<b>Application Number</b> 10/849,068-Conf. #4845		<b>Filed</b> August 27, 2003	
<b>For</b> INTRODUCTION SYSTEM FOR MINIMALLY INVASIVE SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS			
<b>Art Unit</b> 3737		<b>Examiner</b> R. S. Smith	

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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☒ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

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I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 41,212

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.  
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**One Month Request for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

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